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SOYABEAN BASED FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether soyabean based food-processing industries are functioning in the State of Maharashtra particularly in Nasik district;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the products of these industries are being exported;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the quantum of consumption thereof in the country;

(e) whether Central Government are extending any financial assistance to these industries; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

(SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) & (b): As per the Directorate of Vanaspati, Vegetable Oils & Fats, Department of Sugar &Edible Oils, Ministryo f Consumer Affairs & Public Distribution, 22 Solvent Extraction Units are licensed in the State of Maharashtra under the Solvent Extracted Oil, De-oiled Meal and Edible Flour (Control) Order, 1967 promulgated underEC Act, 1955 and are processing soyabean by Solvent Extraction Method, and that at present there is no unit in Nasik District.

(c) & (d): As per the Directorate of Vanaspati, Vegetable Oils & Fats, the Solvent Extractors'Association has reported that 12, 61, 521 MTs of soyabean extraction was exported during the period of November, 1999 to February, 2000.

(e) & (f): The Directorate of Vanaspati, Vegetable Oils and Fats (the nodal Department) does not provide any direct financial assistance to these soyabean processing units engaged in the production of soyabean oil.